communication, enabling telemedicine facilities and video-conferencing for rescue of the displaced people, damage assessment and development of integrated cadastral level information in selected areas.

The damage assessment due to the recent earthquake in Jammu & Kashmir in October 2005 was carried out, and information was sent to Ministry of Home Affairs for relief and rehabilitation activities.

During the 2005 Kharif season, mild agricultural drought was observed in parts of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. The agricultural drought information was sent to Ministry of Agriculture and the concerned State Agriculture Departments towards planning relief and contingency measures. The drought information is being used regularly by Ministry of Agriculture and State Departments of Agriculture to pursue drought management activities.

Forest fire information derived from satellite data, on regular basis, is disseminated through the web site of NRSA of Department of Space.

Time Overrun of Projects

†2567. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 645 projects under public sector are still under construction;

(b) if not, the number of such projects;

(c) whether it is also a fact that construction work of 258 projects out of the said projects is facing time overrun of period from one month to 21 years;

(d) if not, minimum and maximum period of time overrun of the said projects; and

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(e) the cost escalation of the said projects due to such delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) and (b) As on 30th June, 2005 there were 648 Central Sector projects costing Rs.20 crore and above under implementation.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. However, number of delayed projects with different time overrun in different ranges are indicated in the enclosed Statement-I (*See* below).

(e) Sector-wise cost overrun in 214 projects is given in the enclosed Statement-II.

Statement-I

Details of delayed projects

Range of Delay (months)	Number of Projects
1-12	86
13-24	89
25-36	32
37-48	18
49-60	8
61-72	4
73-84	6
85-96	7
97	1
132	1
135	1
144	1
156	1
168	1
181	1
252	1

Statement-II

Sector-wise cost overrun of projects

Sl. No.	Sector	No. of projects	Projects with cost overrun (Rs. Crore) Original cost	Anticipated cost	Percent increase
1	Atomic Energy	1	3447.1	6525.0	89.3
2	Civil Aviation	2	63.3	109.9	73.6
3	Coal	14	2536.8	2742.9	8.1
4	Fertilisers	2	374.1	640.0	71.1
5	I&B	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	Mines	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	Steel	2	203.1	288.7	42.2
8	Petroleum	12	15436.8	19372.2	25.5
9	Power	15	20770.4	31245.5	50.4
10	Health & FW	3	159.9	780.9	388.2
11	Railways	146	23880.2	41744.7	74.8
12	Road Transport & Highways	3	1058.1	1331.1	25.8
13	Shipping & Ports	4	109.0	142.3	30.5
14	Telecommunication	4	324.3	369.8	12.8
15	Urban Development	5	4997.2	10765.0	115.4
16	Water Resources	1	542.9	1069.4	97.0
	TOTAL:	214	73903.2	117127.4	58.5

Division of unused MPLADS fund

†2568. SHRI JAI NARAIN PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

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